5541. Adulteration of pork and beans. U. S. * * * v. 425 Cases * * * Mamma's Choice Brand Perk and Beans with Tomato Sauce * * *. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released on bond. (F. & D. No. 7362. I. S. No. 11471-1. S. No. C-501.)

On or about May 2, 1916, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Iowa, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 425 cases, each containing 2 dozen cans of Mamma's Choice Brand pork and beans with tomato sauce, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Ottumwa, Iowa, alleging that the article had been shipped on or about January 20, 1916, by the Norfolk Packing Co., Norfolk, Nebr., and transported from the State of Nebraska into the State of Iowa, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed vegetable substance unfit for food.

On March 16, 1917, the said Norfolk Packing Co., a corporation, claimant, having consented to a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be released to said claimant upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that the cans of beans should be opened, cleaned, repicked, recanned, and reprocessed under the supervision of a representative of this department, the decomposed and partly decomposed beans to be removed from the product and destroyed.

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